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DISREPUTABLE JOURNALISM.

The other day the *Tribune* made use of the Meacham divorce case as a foundation for one of its Mormon-slandering articles. It went on to tell how the niece revolted at the thought of marrying her uncle; how she instinctively knew it was wrong; how her natural feelings taught her it was incest, and indecent; how her relatives insisted; how she "found no backing in her purity, even in her mother;" how "the whole community was joined together to enforce the indecency and to cover up the crime, after it was consummated;" how "the girl finally yielded," and so on, making a terrible story of persecution of a poor and innocent girl by her friends and relatives, and the Mormon community, concluding with her final revolt from the indecent relation, and the application for a divorce. Of course the *Tribune* knew it was inventing and publishing a fiction but it cared nothing for that so long as it could make a point against the Mormons.

THE HERALD knew some of the facts of the unnatural marriage when it published an account of the divorce proceedings the other day; it knew enough of the case to know that its contemporary was giving loose rein to its imagination. But to make matters certain we instituted inquiries, which have resulted in exposing the depravity and mendacity of the *Tribune*. As to the parties to this unhappy marriage, the uncle-husband is not now and never has been a Mormon; on the contrary he is a very pronounced anti-Mormon; when he came to Utah he left a wife in the east, from whom he obtained a divorce after his arrival here. The niece-wife was reared if not born in the Mormon church, but as we understand, has not regarded herself as a Mormon for many years. Instead of being the weak, pliable girl when her uncle came across her path and asked her hand in marriage, she was a mature matron, with a husband and children, and therefore not likely to submit to coercion into a union that was offensive to her. While the uncle was preparing a divorce from his distant wife in order that he might be free to marry his relative, the niece was obtaining a divorce from her husband, that she could lawfully marry her uncle. As to the coercion, we are informed that her relatives protested against the unnatural alliance, a brother going so far as to threaten the parties with violence if they persisted in the indecency. The community was disgusted by the union, regarding the marriage as scandalous. Thus, as usual, the *Tribune's* assault upon the Mormons is shown to be as baseless as it is malicious, and as cowardly as it is contemptible. Only the vile would stoop to the methods employed by our contemporary. Decent journalism will be honest, however partisan it may be.

LAST YEAR President Cleveland departed from the custom that had been observed by his predecessors, and refused to go to the Capitol to sign bills during the closing hours of the session. He remained in the Executive office, but let it be understood by leading Senators and Representatives that he would in every way possible facilitate business, give up all other engagements and remain at his desk to pass upon bills brought to him. His course offended some at first, but it was afterwards conceded to have been proper, and he was applauded for the stand he had taken against rushing important legislation through at the last hour, and depriving the Senate of the opportunity to examine measures. It is to be hoped Cleveland will observe the same rule this year, and not permit himself to be crowded or coerced. It is better that good bills should fall than that bad ones should become law through the haste or carelessness of the President.

DID GOVERNOR WEST return to Utah of his own volition and at his own suggestion, before he had finished his labors as a lobbyist for the enemies of the Territory, or was he advised that it would be officially healthy for him to throw up his job in the lobby and come back to the duties to which he had been assigned, and for which government was paying him? Eh?

WHATEVER MAY be the fate of the Edmunds-Tucker bill, the emancipation by the conference committee will forever stand as the greatest military blunder since the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava.

AT LAST.

After years of agitation, and many appeals, the people of the Idaho panhandle are to have their country detached from our northern neighbor, and attached to Washington Territory. The geographical shape of Idaho has not only been awkward and ungainly, but the northern part of the Territory has been separated from the southern by a range of mountains, which compelled the going around into Washington in order to reach the capital. The bill which has passed Congress and is now in the hands of the President, attaches to Washington all that part of Idaho lying between Montana and Washington in the vicinity of the junction of the Snake and Salmon Rivers. Thus Washington gets about one-fourth the population and one-fifth the Territory of Idaho. The width of Idaho will now be exactly that of Oregon.

As this very proper division makes it improbable that Idaho will be able to get into the Union as a State during the next quarter of a century, it should now be in order to further dismember and completely obliterate the Territory, dividing it among Oregon, Montana and Utah, at the same time erasing Wyoming from the map by apportioning it among Utah, Montana and Colorado. By this arrangement grand and wealthy States will be created of Washington, Montana, Oregon, Colorado and Utah, whereas under the existing arrangement Idaho and Wyoming must continue under the oppressive Territorial system for generations, dumping grounds for political hacks and played-out party paupers who must be provided for. The success of the people of Northern Idaho in having themselves attached politically to Washington, is matter for congratulation, as it means for them early relief from a serfdom that has been doubly oppressive, owing to the form of government and their isolation from the political center of the Territory. Washington will be admitted to the Union next winter, her acquisition giving her sufficient population to entitle her to Statehood.

THE LOYAL LEAGUERS are freely expressing their discontent and disgust with Baskin and Bennett. The former are saying that if two years' lobbying and many thousands of dollars will get through Congress no more vicious bill than the Edmunds-Tucker, it will take a generation and all the money in the League to get a bill that will enable the soreheads to completely plunder the Mormons. The Baskins are being blamed for the failure, as if these gentlemen hadn't been guilty of as mean work as they were capable.

EVERYBODY REMARKS the fact that Governor West has apparently forgotten how to talk since he left Washington in such haste last January. Before then he was ever ready with his tongue, never losing an occasion to make himself heard. We hope His Excellency will not have to attend Prof. White's school for mutes.

PROHIBITION HAS been given another black eye, this time in Providence, Rhode Island. A telegram says that men representing \$40,000,000 have petitioned the Legislature to repeal the law.

THE LAST day of the Forty-ninth Congress will begin at noon to-morrow. The only regrets will be those of the Representatives who were not re-elected.

IT IS among the probabilities that another railroad from the east will enter the Territory during the year, and that within eighteen months it will find its way into Salt Lake Valley. The railroad company which came into existence a few months ago, is no myth. It is a live, active corporation and seems to have money and enterprise back of it. It is certain that the company is building in this direction at a rapid rate; grading contracts are soon to be awarded in Utah, and with the opening of spring we may expect some lively moving of dirt across the eastern half of the Territory. The route to be followed in entering the Salt Lake Valley has not yet been definitely determined upon. Surveys have been run across Provo Valley and down Provo Canyon; across Parley's Park and through Parley's Canyon, and down Emigration Canyon. It is not yet known which route receives most favor in the minds of the engineers, but it is known that there are objections to each.

Now this is a matter of a good deal of importance to Salt Lake City. This city should have been the terminal station of the Union and Central Pacific; had it been it would have been worth millions to the town. But it wasn't to be so, and THE HERALD is not going to cry over spilt milk. Having seen what was lost by the failure to bring the great transcontinental line into Salt Lake, however, our citizens ought not to fail in the effort to bring the Midland here. It occurs to us that it ought to be to the interest of the company to come here without solicitation, for this is the central point of the Territory in matters of commerce and population; here is the seat of government, and here is and will be the chief city of Utah, hence it ought not to be difficult to convince

a railroad company leading in this direction that it should come to Salt Lake by the shortest cut. However, railway companies are at times peculiar, as was demonstrated by Union and Central Pacific when they went out of their way to get around Salt Lake, and have ever since regretted it. This peculiarity should be taken into consideration by our people, who, if necessary, should make it worth the while of the company to bring the road via the Park into this city. The matter is worthy the consideration of our enterprising men, the merchants and the large property-owners. And they should act before it is too late, as it will be, in all probability, early this spring.

NEW TO-DAY.

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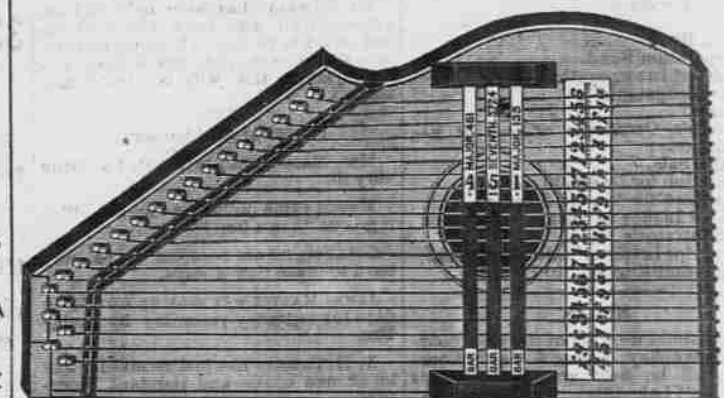
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